

# NEBRASKA WEATHER & CROPS

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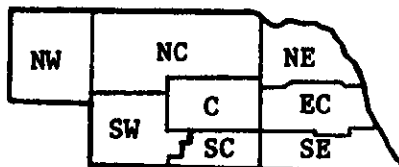
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## WEATHER

Temperatures were near normal over the Panhandle but seven to ten degrees below normal over the remainder of the state. Precipitation in the form of light snow fell over the state with moisture amounts less than a tenth of an inch.

## GENERAL

Above normal temperatures highlighted the first half of December; however, temperatures well below normal were present as the month closed. Snow cover averaged two to four inches in most northern and eastern counties while the Panhandle, southwestern, and south central areas showed no or very light snow cover.

Farmers and ranchers were busy during December caring for livestock, repairing machinery, and moving hay as well as checking stored grain conditions, reviewing tax work, and other general farm and ranch activities.

## CROPS

The 1982 winter wheat crop was in much better condition than a year ago and rated 9% fair, 84% good, and 7% excellent. A year ago, Nebraska's crop rated mostly fair to good. Additional snow cover was needed in the Panhandle as well as southwestern and south central counties to reduce possible winter kill.

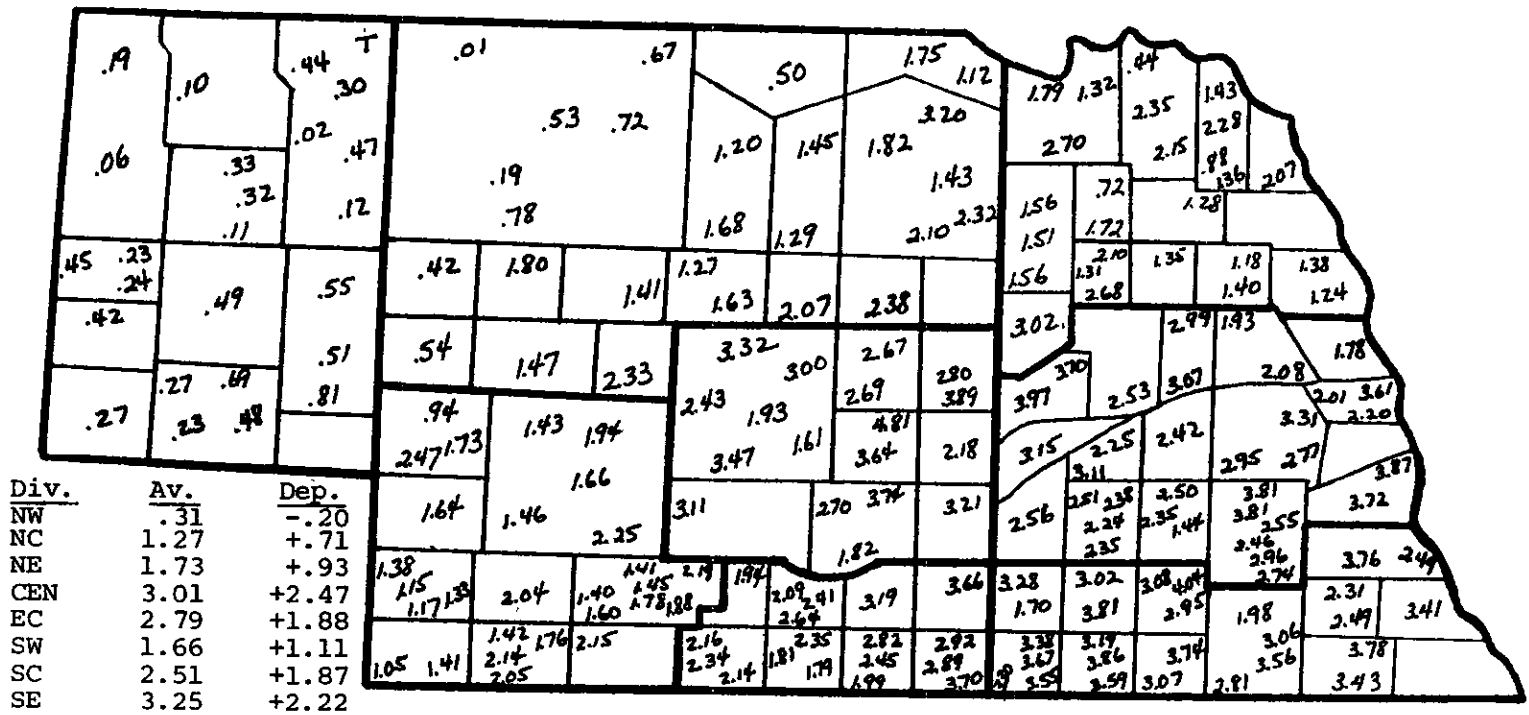
## LIVESTOCK

Snow cover has prevented livestock in many areas from making full use of crop residues. Muddy field conditions in some southern areas were also limiting access. Statewide, about 40% of the corn and sorghum fields were being pastured last week compared to 50% of the acreage a year ago. Hay and forage supplies were about average statewide; however, shortages were reported in some northern counties. Feed grain supplies rated as average or above average statewide, although reserve commitments have been heavy. Few or no livestock losses have been reported.

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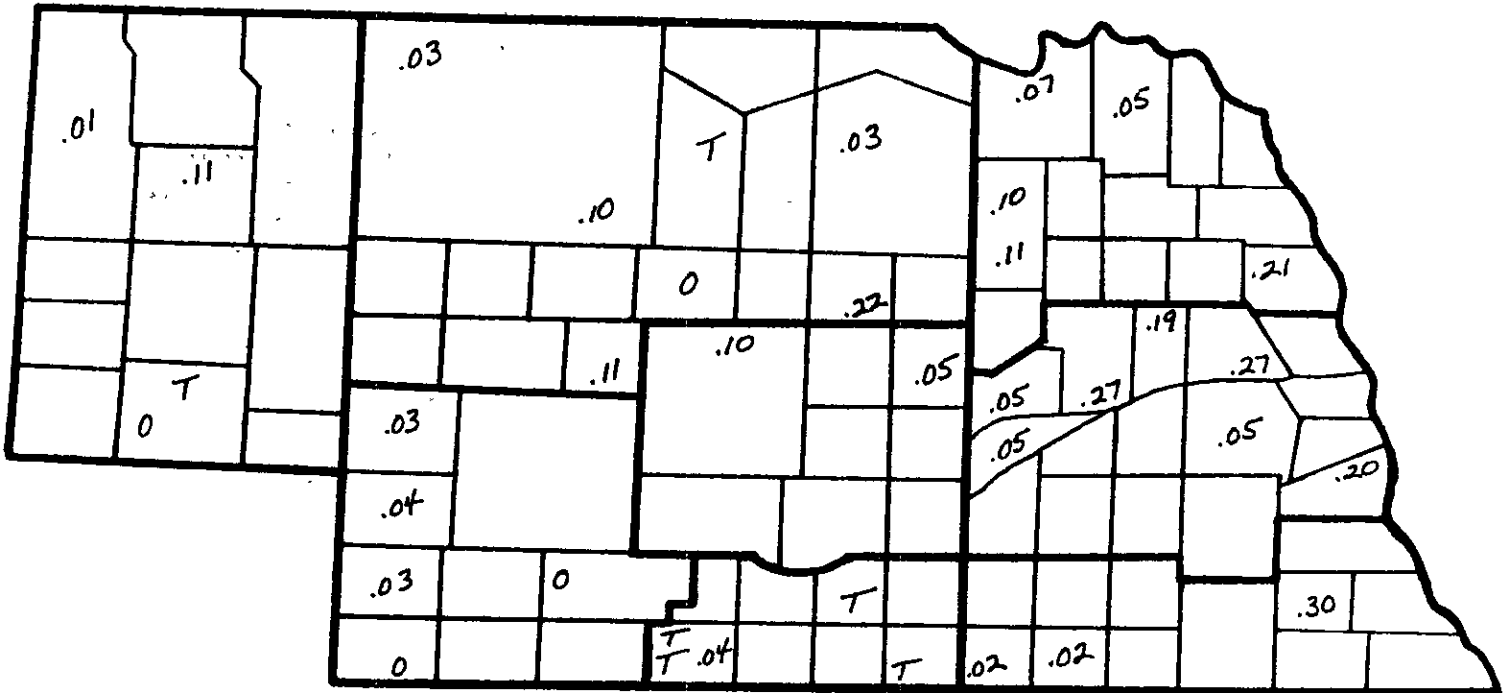
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# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1981 1/



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## PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1982



## TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 1982

Station		Temperature			Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure
		Max	Min		
NW	Chadron	34	-14	12	---
	Scottsbluff	46	-1	24	-1
	Sidney	57	0	25	---
NC	Ord	--	--	--	---
	Valentine	29	-11	10	-11
NE	Norfolk	37	-7	11	-9
	Sioux City	36	-9	12	-7
CEN	Grand Island	40	-4	13	-10
EC	Lincoln	41	-7	13	-10
	Omaha	38	-3	15	-6
SW	Imperial	52	6	25	---
	North Platte	40	0	17	-7

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.